(b) if so, the action taken on such request from the Andhra Pradesh Government for helping tribal students?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) Under Centrally sponsored scheme no grant is given for construction and maintenance of residential schools for Scheduled Castes. However, grant is given to the State Government on 50:50 matching share basis and 100% grant is given to Union Territories for construction of hostels only. As regards Scheduled Tribes under the Centrally sponsored scheme of Ministry of Tribal Affairs, funding for Establishment of Ashram School in Tribal Sub-Plan Area and for •construction of hostels is done with State Government on matching (50:50) basis and cent percent assistance is given to Union Territories.

(b) No proposal from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has been received in the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for construction of residential schools under their Centrally sponsored scheme.

Schemes for Handicapped, SCs, STs, and OBCs in Bihar

† 885. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of programmes and schemes of Government for handicapped, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Categories of the society in the State of Bihar;

(b) The latest position of implementation of the said schemes; and

(c) The funds sanctioned and released for these programmes and schemes during last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (c) The information is given in the enclosed Statement.

† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Schemes for the handicapped, SCs, STs and OBCs and funds provided during the last three years in Bihar

SI. No.	Name of the Scheme	Funds provided (Rs. in lakh)		
		1998-1999	1999-2000	2000-2001
1.	Scheme to Promote Voluntary Action for persons with Disability	53.36	57.68	162.00
2.	Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase/fitting of Aids/Appliances	58.22	31.76	22.16
3.	Scheme of Grant-in-Aid to Volunatry Organizations working for SCs	34.81	46.68	46.69
4.	Special Central Assistance for development of SCs	3620.07	3471.49	—
5.	Scheme for Post-Matric Scholarship	194.94	468.48	—
6.	Scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarship	2.75	33.25	20.00
7.	Scheme of Book Bank	9.10	—	7.38
8.	Special Educational Development programme for SC girls	2.84	—	—
9.	National SC/ST Finance & Development Corporation	1528.35	—	105.30
10.	Scheme of implementation of Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and Prevention of Atrocities Act, 1989	50.00		34.03
11.	Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Plan	—	4779.13	1711.06
12.	Grant under Article 275(1) of the Constitution	483.50	967.23	—
13.	Girls' Hostel (ST)	75.00	—	—
14.	Boys' Hostel (ST)	75.00	—	—
15.	Research & Training (Tribal Research Institutes)	53.40	1.13	^~

SI. No	Name of the Scheme		Funds provided (Rs. in lakh)		
			1998-1999	1999-2000	2000-2001
16.	Grant-in-aid to State Tribal Development Cooperative Corporations	Tribal	79.00	—	—
17.	Development of Primitive Groups	Tribal	100.00	—	—
18.	Post-Matric Scholarship for students	OBC	196.50	—	—
19.	Pre-matric Scholarship for students	OBC	84.60	—	—
20.	Hostel for OBC boys & girls		120.53	—	—
21.	National backward Classes Finance & Development Corporation		990.60	210.74	700.01

News-item "Untouchable fined and beaten up for entering Orissa village temple"

886. SHRI BRAHMAKUMAR BHATT: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether her attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Untouchable fined and beaten up for entering Orissa village temple" which appeared in the Indian Express, dated the 3rd April, 2001;

(b) whether a fine of Rs. 4000/- was imposed on a person belonging to Scheduled Caste for entering Kirtanya Mandap at Ganda Turum village in Western Orissa;

(c) if so, whether it is not a proof that social evil of untouchability still prevails in Orissa; and

(d) the action being taken by Government and State Police on the complaint filed by the victim?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Government of Orissa has been requested for taking